



# BRITISH ADVANCE 5 MILES

## THREE DEAD AS BREAK IN HEAT WAVE ARRIVES

### SHORTAGE OF WATER AND ICE

Hammond Suffers Most Keenly and Sprinkling Rules are Made.

Relief from the 120 hour stretch of blistering weather came today after a night of suffering and a toll of two deaths at St. Margaret's hospital and one in East Chicago due to the heat.

**The Dead:**  
George Kaash, 140th street and Olcott avenue, East Chicago, overcame by heat and died after reaching hospital.  
Mrs. Loretta Kwassigroch, 4135 Drake avenue, Chicago, died from effects of drugs taken while temporarily unbalanced.  
Kemper Fulmer, employed in the Sheet Mill department of the Inland Steel, death due to heat prostration.

**The Injured:**  
Alex Pastos, 285 Oak street, Hammond, found walking about with arm cut off and unable to tell how it happened. Not under influence of liquor.

Mrs. Kwassigroch, who died at the hospital, was a well-to-do woman. She was found violently ill in East Chicago at the South Side drug store, after having wandered away from her home in Chicago yesterday. Mrs. Kwassigroch had been under physicians' care and escaped from the nurse.

**Lost An Arm.**  
Alex Pastos called the Hammond police after he had walked home and said that he had lost an arm but did not know where. He was taken to St. Margaret's hospital and the police later found the dismembered limb in a switch on the Washburn railroad tracks about a hundred and fifty feet west of Pine street. It was taken to Stewart's morgue.

**Water Pressure Low.**  
The southern and southeastern portions of Hammond suffered intensely yesterday and today from a shortage of water and the entire city was made miserable by an ice famine. Because of the low pressure the Hammond Ice company was able to make only a small portion of the ice needed to supply the demand.

As a result of the complaints that the south side of the city as out of water or with only a dribble the water department of the city issued orders restricting sprinkling to certain hours.

Under the head, "A Patriotic Request" the water department of Hammond issued the following statement today:  
"Owing to the unusual demands for water by the industrial plants that are busily engaged in making supplies for our boys over there it is incumbent upon all of us to sacrifice at least a little bit in the use of water. There is plenty of water if it is not unnecessarily and wastefully used."

"We are compelled to change the sprinkling hours as follows:  
"All users, which includes those on meter, living north of Michigan Central R. R. 5 to 7 p. m.  
"Those living south of Michigan Central R. R. 7 to 9 p. m.  
"Sprinkling is NOT allowed at any other time."

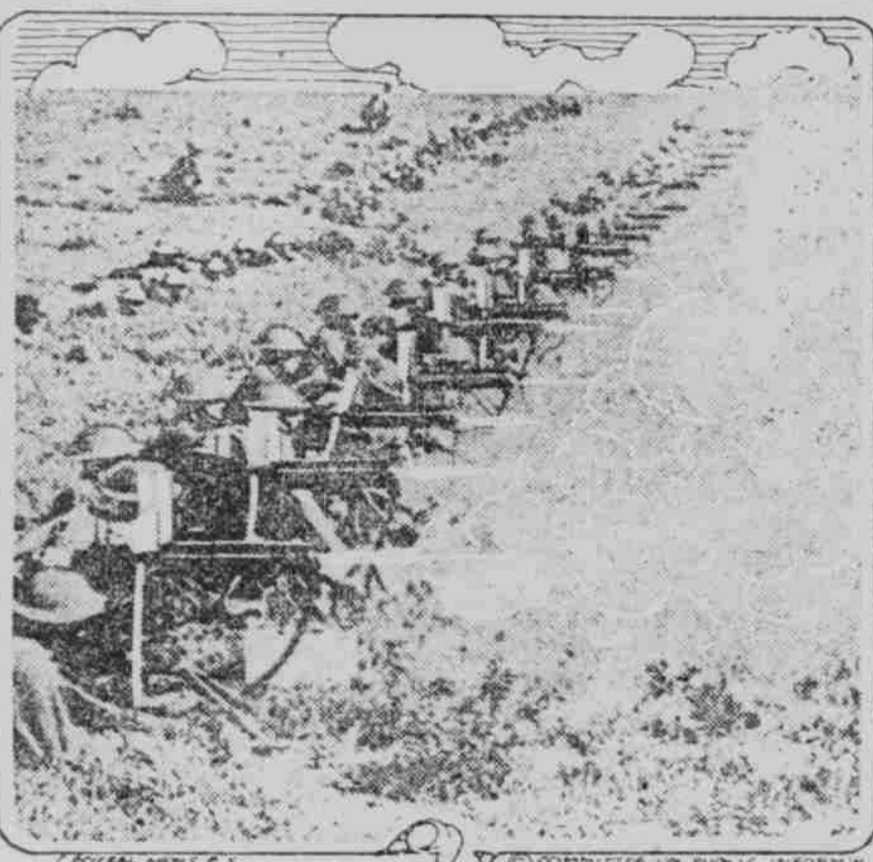
"GEO. BLOCKI,  
"Supt. Water Dept."

### LEADS RECRUITING OF MINE WORKERS



James Lord.  
James Lord is president of the mining division of the American Federation of Labor. He has been appointed head of a special section of the federal employment service in charge of recruiting and supplying labor for mines.

### TRAINING TO CHASE GERMANS FARTHER



American soldiers practicing with Browning guns.  
This squad of machine gun boys will soon be ready to mow down the Huns. The photo, an American official picture, shows a Browning automatic machine gun barrage during a practice drill at Fort Sill, Okla. A line of these guns would make any road impassable for an entire army division as long as the ammunition lasted. These guns are capable of mowing down regiments.

## STREET RY. CO. ASKS 6 CENT FARE

INDIANAPOLIS, IND., Aug. 8.—The Gary Street Railway company today petitioned the public service commission for a six-cent fare in Gary, Hammond, East Chicago and eight cents fare on certain Gary lines because of wage increases to conductors and motormen about to go into effect on competing Chicago street railway lines by order of national war labor board. The public service commission was petitioned for increases of 25 per cent in electric service bills at Crown Point and Lowell.

### WATERMELON USED AS BOOZE BOTTLE

Special Agent Green of the department of justice, stationed at Hammond, has discovered a new method used by the booze-hounds who are at wit's end.

The latest method of transporting the costly stuff is by means of watermelons. Tapping the melons the hounds inject as much booze as they will hold and load them into a wagon.

Green became suspicious of the amount of water melons coming from West Hammond where there are no watermelon patches.

### CONROY ATTORNEY FOR U. S. BLDG. CORPORATION

That the United States Housing Corporation is planning to acquire property in Hammond, Whiting, Indiana Harbor, East Chicago and Gary to relieve housing conditions, was indicated today by announcement that Joseph Conroy of Hammond had been appointed attorney for the corporation in this district. The position was unopposed and was made through recommendation of the American Bar Association of which Mr. Conroy is a member.

### ITALIAN FRONT LIVES UP TODAY

ROME, Aug. 8.—Defeat of another Austrian attempt to storm Italian positions at Corone was announced by the Italian war office today.

"North of Col del Rosa we drove the enemy from an advanced post and took some prisoners and a machine gun," the report said.

"In the Largarina valley and the Asago valley we shelled motor trucks."

### IN THE SERVICE FOR TEN YEARS

CORYDON, IND., Aug. 7.—The parents of Lieutenant Dudley W. Woodward, age twenty-nine, of Company F, 9th infantry, have received information that he was severely wounded in action in France. Lieutenant Woodward has been in army service for ten years, having enlisted in the regular army in 1908. He was commissioned a lieutenant about a year ago and went to France last September.

## 345 CASUALTIES ANNOUNCED TODAY

WASHINGTON, Aug. 8.—Three hundred and forty-five casualties were announced by the war department today; two hundred and thirty-seven from the army and one hundred and eight from the marines. The army list was divided as follows:

Killed in action, 131.  
Died of wounds, 13.  
Died of airplane accidents, 1.  
Accident and other causes, 5.  
Wounded severely, 53.  
Wounded degree undetermined, 22.

The marine list was divided as follows:  
Killed in action, 2.  
Died of wounds, 1.  
Wounded degree undetermined, 74.  
Wounded severely, 20.  
Wounded slightly, 1.  
Missing in action, 10.

Today's list brought the total since the Franco-American drive started up to 3,032.  
**INDIANA.**  
Killed in action (Army)—G. Hunter, Madison; C. Latturette, Covington; A. Moore, Nashville.  
Died of wounds (Marines)—P. E. Taylor, Henryville.  
Wounded severely (Marines)—Albert Brommer, Lafayette; J. M. Motz, Ellettsburg; A. E. Rogers, West Lafayette; T. Stevens, Danville; S. Menick, Frankfort.  
Wounded degree undetermined—G. R. Strother, Bedford.

## CROP OUTLOOK SHOWS BRIGHT WHEAT YIELD

WASHINGTON, Aug. 8.—Forecasting a total wheat yield of 378,000,000 bushels, the agricultural department today estimated winter wheat would reach 355,000,000 bushels as against the July forecast of 357,000,000 bushels and that spring wheat would yield 222,000,000 bushels.

The corn yield is estimated at 2,955,000,000 bushels, oats, 1,428,000,000 bushels, barley, 232,000,000 bushels and rye, 76,700,000 bushels.

The spring wheat was given as 79.6 per cent compared with 63.7 a year ago and 72.9 for the ten year average at this time. Condition of corn was given as 73.5 compared with 73.5 last year and 73 for the ten year average. The oats' condition was given as 28.8 compared with 37.2 a year ago and barley 12 as compared with 72.9 a year ago.

White potatoes promise a yield of 291,000,000 bushels. Sweet potatoes are expected to yield 34,000,000 bushels. Rice is expected to yield 41,000,000 bushels and hay 22,30,000 tons.

### HAMMOND BOY WOUNDED IN ACTION

Word was received late this afternoon that Private John M. George, 683 Webster avenue, Hammond, with the United States infantry in France was wounded in action June 18.

Dollars and Determination spell doom for kaiser. Buy War Savings Stamps.

## MOVE TO TAKE CARS AND YARDS

Federal Trade Commission Recommends That Railroad Administration Strip Packers of Power.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 8.—Moving to break the power of the so-called packer trust, the federal trade commission has recommended to President Wilson that the railroad administration be given a monopoly in the transportation and distribution of meats.

The report of the commission made public by the president today urges that the far-reaching packer-influence on American business can be changed by transferring from the packers to the railroad administration the following:

All stock yards in the country, all so-called packs, houses of the packers used in the distribution of meat, all stock cars and refrigerator cars used by the packers, and all ice plants.

This would leave the packers the lone business of slaughtering and skinning. Through control of the stockhouses the railroad would break up the alleged priority that the alleged packer trust grants its members. The control of the refrigerator cars is a sideswipe at the California canner's trust.

The report leaves it up to congress to pass the necessary legislation which will enable the railroad administration to take over the packers' facilities. The commission charges in its report that the five great packing concerns of the country—Swift, Armour, Morris, Cudahy and Wilson—have attained such dominate positions that they control all will the markets in which they buy their supplies, the markets in which they sell their products, and hold the fortunes of their competitors in their hands.

The commission holds that since cattle cars are a necessary part of the equipment of a railroad, such cars should be under federal control and operation and available to all alike. It holds that a stock yard is nothing but a depot for cattle.

The commission recommends that all refrigerator cars be taken over by the government. They also recommend that all packers' warehouses should come under railroad operation. The commission shows these exist "monopolies, trusts, conspirators and restraint of trade out of harmony with the law and public interest."

The combination has not stepped at the most minute integration but has gone into a state of conglomeration so that unrelated enterprises are brought under their control, according to the commission.

## AUTO PRODUCTION CUT 50 PER CENT

DETROIT, Aug. 8.—Voluntary reduction of 50 per cent in the production of passenger automobiles as compared with last year's output, was voted by the National Automobile Chamber of Commerce at a meeting here Tuesday. The curtailment, it was said, was the wish of the war industries board.

Buy a Thrift Stamp and lick the Hun.

## GIVES U. S. NAMES TO ENGLISH TOWNS



Countess Beauchamp.

### GIANT COLONEL VISITS ITALIAN FRONT



Huge Italian colonel with two ordinary-sized soldiers at front.  
This massive specimen of a man is an Italian colonel who is now at the Italian sector in France where the Italians, co-operating with the French, have been giving a good account of themselves. This giant is "too big to fit in a trench," but he has a lot of fight in him and is popular with the troops.

## Bulletins of Today's Push

WASHINGTON, Aug. 8.—Further progress by Americans in the Vesle sector yesterday was reported today by General Pershing.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 8.—The American Steamer Merak was shelled and torpedoed and sunk by a submarine at 1:50 p. m., Aug. 6, about fifteen miles north of Diamond Shoals lightship. It was a vessel of 3,023 tons.

WITH THE FRENCH ARMY IN THE FIELD, Aug. 8.—French and British troops attacked at dawn today in the Somme region between Albert and Montdidier on a front of about twenty miles. The advance is progressing satisfactorily. The British attacked in the direction of Marceville. The French attacked toward Douchy. Enemy resistance was bitter around Montdidier. The French attacked at 5 a. m. after forty minutes' artillery preparation. Three hours later all the first objectives were obtained.

PARIS, Aug. 8.—The Franco-British advance on the Picardy front is continuing this afternoon. The Germans were completely surprised, some divisions being caught while being relieved. At noon the depth of the advance was reported to be most satisfactory and the attack was developing on both sides of the Somme.

## FIVE MEN UNDER ARREST AS BAND OF LANSING 'LYNCHERS'

Five men are under arrest at Lansing, Ill., charged with the attempted assault and lynching of Stephen Berse, a saloon keeper of Lansing.

The men are: Richard Skiff, a bartender employed by Berse; William Hoge, Arthur Frey, Herman Rohu and John Flora.

They are five of twenty men Berse alleged were conspiring to take his life.

According to Berse, the threats followed his accusation of the theft of \$500 worth of liquor, directed against Skiff. The friends of the bartender, he says, entered the saloon on Aug. 5, and after accusing him of being an alien enemy, started for him with a rope. Berse, who is an Austrian, fled into Indiana to escape the mob.

LONDON, Aug. 8, 4:00 p. m.—As this is called all first objectives are believed to have been taken. Many prisoners are coming in. Swarms of allied battle planes are engaged in the attack. A haze made flying difficult in the early hours of the battle but this was an advantage to the other branches of the service. All tanks kept their noses well up against the steel wall of the creeping barrage.

The country is hilly but mostly free from trees and ideal for the tanks which crossed the Aisne without trouble and led the infantry into battle.

As I write this the Franco-British troops are still blasting their way forward with machine guns and cannon.

## HUN GRIP ON VESLE SLIPPING

By FRED FERGUSON  
WITH THE AMERICANS IN FRANCE, Aug. 8, 7:15 a. m.—American and French troops crossing the Soissons-Rheims highway are driving on the heights between the Vesle and the Aisne. Desperate counter attacks broke under fierce allied artillery fire.

The allies are holding all the positions they have gained and are steadily pushing on. Heavy fighting is going on along a wide front north of the Vesle.

Additional bridging material is being rushed up and crossings are being established. The weather has cleared which is regarded as favorable to the allies.

American airmen have located the grave of Lieut. Quentin Roosevelt. It is marked with a wooden cross and located at the edge of "Chamery wood."

Americans late yesterday reached the railway and main highway north of the Vesle. The Americans waded through the marshes and charged up the high northern bank in the face of heavy machine gun and artillery fire. The German counter attack but were repulsed.

The advance yesterday was made in the midst of a heavy rain but when the attack was resumed on a large scale this morning the weather had cleared.

By WEBB MILLER

PARIS, Aug. 8, 10:20 a. m.—By increasing the pressure at vital points, Franco-American troops are gradually loosening the German grip on the Vesle river line. Military authorities are of the opinion it is only a matter of days until the enemy will be forced to abandon the Vesle and retire to the Aisne unless they throw in overwhelming numbers of reserves. This contingency is regarded as impossible as the present positions are unfavorable.

LONDON, Aug. 8.—Allied troops after capturing Archanget are pushing toward Volodga. It was learned this afternoon. In taking Archanget the allies defeated 8,000 enemy troops and captured large quantities of stores and two batteries. North of the Gulf of Finland 50,000 Germans are reported to be concentrated ready for hostilities.

### GOES TO SAN SABASTIN, SPAIN

PARIS, Aug. 8.—Lewis J. Mulvey, former minister of the interior, convicted of a misdemeanor following his acquittal on all charges of treason, today chose San Sabastin, Spain, in which to live during his five years' banishment. The charge of treason resulted from his alleged connection with Bolo Pash clique.

## LAUNCH DOUBLE ATTACK

Thousands of Prisoners and Many Villages Captured in First Sweep Forward.

LONDON, Aug. 8, 6:00 p. m.—British troops have reached Harbomieres, an advance of about five miles and a half, it was learned this afternoon.

Several thousands prisoners are reported to have been taken.

LONDON, Aug. 8, 3:43 p. m.—British troops have captured a number of villages in their new drive, including Moreuil, Antoine and Aubercourt. In addition the heights of Morlancourt and west of Morlancourt and west of Cerisy have been taken.

LONDON, Aug. 8, 3:42 p. m.—The situation on the west front is now considered more favorable for an allied victory in the field at any time since the beginning of the war. The period for anxiety has definitely passed.

The allies will soon have a great superiority in men and material to retain the initiative.

The allies began drives on both the Picardy and Aisne-Vesle fronts today.

While French and American renewed their attacks on a large scale against the Crown Prince's army, driving toward the heights between the Vesle and Aisne, British and French suddenly smashed against the tip of the huge Picardy salient, southeast of Amiens.

Progress was reported in both drives. Staff reports say Franco-Americans crossed the Soissons-Rheims highway north of the Vesle and were steadily pushing on toward the dominating heights which form the German defense line south of the Aisne.

Counter attacks were broken up by allied artillery fire. This attack is on the front between Braine and Fismes.

MAJOR OPERATION.  
The extent of the Picardy attack is not yet known. It is believed to be on a major scale. It began at five o'clock this morning. The Picardy operation is being carried out by the British with French co-operation.

The fact that the Americans were not mentioned in this attack and in previous advance around Montdidier may mean that they have been drawn out to participate in the Marne fighting. Further allied successes were reported last night. The British advanced their line more than half a mile on a five mile front.

The British war office reports received shortly after 10 p. m. Paris communique indicate the attack may be between the Somme and Aisne rivers, a front of ten miles. The report says the attack is "progressing favorably."

LONDON, Aug. 8.—British and French troops under command of Field Marshal Haig attacked on a wide front east and southeast of Amiens at dawn this morning. The British war office reported.

"First reports indicate that the attack is proceeding satisfactorily," the statement said.

By William Phillip Simms  
WITH THE BRITISH IN FRANCE, Aug. 8.—Franco-British troops attacked at dawn this morning between Morlan Court and Moreuil on a front of fifteen miles astride the Somme.

Several important villages have been reached and the battle appears to be going well. Several hundred tanks led the attack. The whippets raced and dodged across the field, terrorizing and running the Germans down everywhere.

The French are attacking at Moreuil with success.  
A bombardment of but three minutes preceded the British attack. The French attack was made a few minutes later, the artillery paving the way.  
Prisoners say the attack was a complete surprise.

WINAMAC, IND., Aug. 8.—Private Raymond P. Post, reported killed in action in France, lived at Ripley, six miles north of this city. He was twenty-three years old and the son of William P. Post.

## LYNCH NEGRO ACCUSED OF ATTACK ON LAWYER'S WIFE

SHREVEPORT, LA., Aug. 8.—Accused of an attack upon the wife of an attorney of Bastrop, La., "Bubber" Hall, a young Negro, was lynched at Bastrop yesterday.